IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the title at line 1 on page 1 of the application with the following new title:

TAPE HEAD MODULE ASSEMBLY SYSTEM

Please replace the first full paragraph beginning at line 8, on page 18 of the application with the following replacement paragraph:

The next adjustment consists of aligning the module that can only rotate so that the gaps between the two modules are parallel to within 1-2 microns or better. The final adjustment consists of translating the second module 920 laterally 980 until ~~feducial~~ fiducial marks that ensure reader-opposite-writer track-to-track registration are aligned to within 1-2 microns.

Please replace the first paragraph beginning at line 1, on page 20 of the application with the following replacement paragraph:

Fig. 11 is a flow chart 1100 of the tape head module assembly method according to the present invention. Both module holders are placed in an initial state with the tape head carriers facing each other 1120. The tape wrap angle between the two modules is set by performing initial alignment and lifting the opposite end of each module holder a prescribed amount 1130. A first module's horizontal alignment is selected to so that the gaps between the two modules are parallel 1140. The other module holder's alignment along a longitudinal axis is selected 1150. A module is translated laterally until ~~feducial~~ fiducial marks are aligned to provide reader-opposite-writer track-to-track registration 1160. The beams may then be joined together using an adhesive in the narrow gap between the ends of the legs 1170.